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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Mahalingham, et al.
Serial No.: 10/034,186
For: TOPICAL LIGHTENING COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE
Filed: December 28, 2001
Examiner: Patricia A. Patten
Art Unit: 1654
Confirmation No.: 7732
Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 680.0054USU

Mail Stop Amendment
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$950.00 to extend the time for filing this response until September 8, 2004.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.


CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	26	Minus	31	0	x \$18.00	\$0
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	0	x \$86.00	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$290.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$950.00 .

X A check in the amount of \$950.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

September 8, 2004
Date


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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON September 8, 2004.

J. Robert Dean
NAME


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2004, the period for response having been extended to September 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application according to the following:

The section entitled "Amendments to the Claims" begins at page 2.

The section entitled "Remarks" begins at page 8.